

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Takaaki Endo, et al. : Examiner: Yogesh K. Aggarwal  
Appln. No.: 10/779,791 )  
Filed: February 18, 2004 )  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS AND IMAGE )  
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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Official Action dated August 6, 2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: